

Bloomington MAC Meeting  
**Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, December 4, 2007**

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

**Council Members Present**

Jacqueline Cox      Lynda Gonzalez      Betty Gosney      Mike Koss      Adrian McDaniel  
Eric Scott      Greg Ware

**Minutes**

Council member Adrian McDaniel moved to approve the October minutes, Council Member Betty Gosney seconded the motion and all were in favor.

**New Business**

**A. Introduction and Swearing in of MAC member Jacqueline Cox**

Chairman Eric Scott administered the oath of office for Jacqueline Cox as the newest appointed Municipal Advisory Council Member.

**B. Community Emergency Response Team/Disaster Preparedness Tips–Dennis West, County Office of Emergency Services**

Mr. West, representative from the County's Office of Emergency Services, spoke about residents preparing themselves and their communities for emergencies. He explained how hospitals throughout the County are working together to develop a plan in preparation of a large-scale disaster.

Mr. West gave residents tips on family members working together to develop their own emergency escape route and to establish a meeting point in the neighborhood as well as a pivotal connection located out of state. Mr. West distributed various brochures on emergency preparedness. He also spoke about the Citizen's Emergency Response Team (CERT) program and how it can be vital to the community in time of emergency.

He gave details on the training involved and announced that grant funding is available to cover participants' cost in the program.

The training is divided into three classes: 1<sup>st</sup> class- Contact person outside of California. 2<sup>nd</sup> class - Fire Safety. 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> class- Medical Aid.

Mr. West informed residents of the Disaster Trailers that will be placed in different cities; the trailers will be filled with everything needed for a disaster. Cities include: Ontario, Rialto, Redlands, Big Bear (unincorporated area), Apple Valley, Yucca Valley, and Devore.

**Staff Reports**

California Highway Patrol – Officer Joe Ramos

Officer Ramos reported that he participated in the Bloomington Christmas Parade, enjoyed it very much. He reported that they have been in discussion with Caltrans with officer Smith regarding the construction problems when the project starts. They are also working with the fire department on looking at different options, possibly keeping a lane/road open for emergency vehicles to pass. Officer Ramos responded to questions from the public.

To report traffic complaints to the CHP residents may call the CHP front desk officer at (909) 383-4247.

#### Field Representative-Dan Flores

- Mr. Flores informed residents that Public Works has a signalization project in process for Slover and Locust and Slover and Laurel. Construction is scheduled for summer of 2008.
- Mr. Flores presented a certificate to the Bloomington Community Boosters on behalf of Supervisor Gonzales in appreciation for their hard work in sponsoring the Bloomington Christmas Parade. Mr. Flores congratulated everyone for a very successful parade.
- The Code Enforcement surveillance camera program is still in the works; some locations have been identified in Bloomington. Mr. Flores will provide an update once the cameras have been installed and are operational.
- Mr. Flores spoke to the Rialto Engineer regarding the Riverside Ave./I-10 Improvement Project and informed residents that the project design is 95%, it will go out for bid late Summer 2008, and will begin construction in December 2008. The Riverside Bridge will be closed except for north and south side freeway entrances. The project will take approximately 9 months.
- Mr. Flores informed residents of the required information needed to report a code enforcement issue. The public/caller needs to provide as much information they have, they don't need to provide a specific address if not known. If code enforcement officer is not too helpful it is recommended to ask for a supervisor. You may also call our office: (909) 387-4565.

#### Sheriff's Dept. – Det. Joe Silva

Det. Silva informed residents that he is currently assigned with the investigation unit. 24 hour number residents may call is: (909) 387-8313. Personal office number is: (909) 356-6767. Det. Silva informed residents that in September 2007, 1,670 calls were handled for the Bloomington area. October 2007, 1,651 calls were received for service.

Det. Silva informed resident that 7 deputies participated in the Bloomington Christmas Parade. He also introduced their new captain: Steve Kovensky. Sheriff's department is also concerned about the upcoming Riverside Ave. Improvement Project and will be working with Caltrans as well regarding response time.

*The Fontana Sheriff's Station is responsible for serving the unincorporated community of Bloomington. For non-emergency calls and/or information residents should contact the station at (909) 356-6767. For emergencies call 911.*

#### Special Districts – Tim Millington

Not Present

#### **Old Business**

- A. Update on Riverside Ave./I-10 Improvement Project- Dan Flores  
Dan would like to compile a list from the residents of issues that need to be addressed before the project starts and come up with a plan in case of emergency. Based on issues, a group of different entities that will be involved in the project will be invited to a workshop during the MAC meeting to clear up some resident concerns. March will be the target month for the first workshop.

Council member Adrian McDaniel motioned to have the workshop. Council member Betty Gosney seconded the motion and all were in favor.

### **Items for Upcoming Meetings**

None

### **Member Reports**

Jacqueline Cox

None

Lynda Gonzalez

Ms. Gonzalez thanked Boosters for Parade and wished everyone Happy Holidays.

Betty Gosney

On behalf of the West Valley Water District Ms. Gosney asked residents to please conserve water.

Mike Koss

None.

Adrian McDaniel

Neighborhood watch will be starting after the holidays.

Eric Scott

Thanked Boosters for the parade. Encouraged people to get involved in the CERT program and the Neighborhood Watch.

Gregory Ware

Reminded and invited everyone to participate in the Assemblymember Wilmer Amina Carter "It Ought to be a Law" contest. He has some ideas that he will present to her and feels that her office is sincere about helping the community.

### **Public Comments**

Members of the audience are asked to pick up a request to address the MAC from the Council Secretary. There is a limit of three minutes per request. The following speakers were given time to speak.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 p.m. The next MAC meeting is scheduled for January 8, 2008 at 7p.m.

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